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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Response to Amendment

- 1. The amendment after final rejection filed on 02/25/2008 has not been entered.
- 2. Examiner notes that entry of a proposed amendment after final rejection cannot be made as a matter of right unless it merely cancels claims or complies with a formal requirement made earlier (See rule 1.113). In this case, Applicant has done neither. Applicant has submitted arguments arguing the rejections made in the previous office action. Examiner finds Applicant's arguments unpersuasive and therefore the previous office action stands.

## Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kerri L. McNally whose telephone number is 571-270-1840. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM, EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Davetta Goins can be reached on 571-272-2957. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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